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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Sir:

This communication accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and is further responsive to the final Office Action dated September 12, 2003, in the above-referenced patent application.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-28 are pending. Claims 1-3, 15 and 27 are rejected. The indication of allowable subject matter in claims 4-14, 16-26 and 28 is noted, with appreciation.

Claims 1-3, 15 and 27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by Ashworth (US 3,509,282). Applicants traverse this rejection, and respectfully request reconsideration, for the reasons of record and those that follow.

Sole independent claim 1 reads as follows: